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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

AURENT CHAVET,

Defendant.

CR 04-02187 SI

VIOLATIONS: 18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(4) &
1030(c)(3)(A) – Unauthorized Access of a
Protected Computer with Intent to Defraud
and Obtaining Something of Value; 18
U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(5)(A)(ii),
1030(a)(5)(B)(i) & 1030(c)(4)(B) – Reckless
Damage to a Protected Computer Causing
Loss Aggregating At Least \$5,000

SAN FRANCISCO VENUE

INDICTMENT

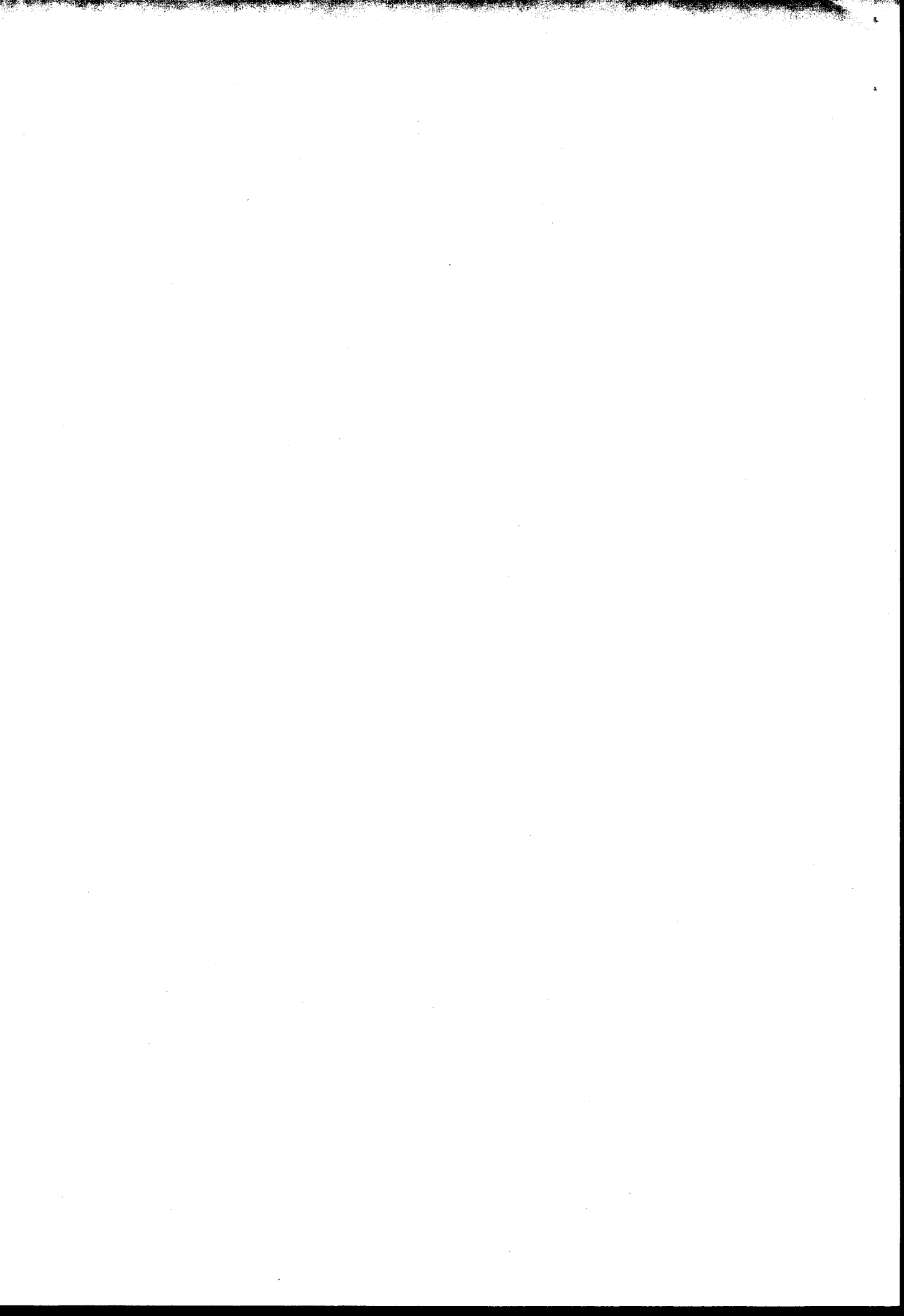
The Grand Jury charges:

At all times relevant to this Indictment:

1. The AltaVista Company (AltaVista) provided World Wide Web search capability to users of the Internet. The Internet was a worldwide network of computer systems operated by governmental entities, corporations, universities and other entities. The World Wide Web was a functionality of the Internet that allowed users of the Internet to share information. Information on the World Wide Web was displayed on web sites. Each web site was identified and accessed by means of a unique address known as a Uniform Resource Locator (URL).

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2. In order to provide World Wide Web search capability to its users, AltaVista maintained a bank of 32 computers, which it named Trek1 through Trek32, respectively. The Trek computers were programmed using source code developed by AltaVista to "scour" the World Wide Web and to store information on themselves about new or modified URLs.

3. AltaVista assigned usernames and confidential passwords to designated employees whose jobs required them to access Alta Vista's computers for legitimate employment purposes. Non-employees and former employees of AltaVista were not authorized to access Alta Vista's computers.

4. The defendant LAURENT CHAVET was employed by AltaVista as a computer engineer from approximately June 1999 to approximately February 2002.

COUNT ONE: (18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(4) & 1030(c)(3)(A) – Unauthorized Access of a Protected Computer with Intent to Defraud and Obtaining Something of Value)

5. The facts alleged in paragraphs 1 through 4 are realleged and incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

6. On or about March 28, 2002, in the Northern District of California and elsewhere, the defendant

LAURENT CHAVET

did knowingly and with intent to defraud, access a protected computer belonging to AltaVista, to wit, the computer known as "repository2," without authorization and by exceeding authorized access, and by means of such conduct did further the intended fraud and obtain something of value, to wit, source code belonging to AltaVista.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1030(a)(4) and 1030(c)(3)(A).

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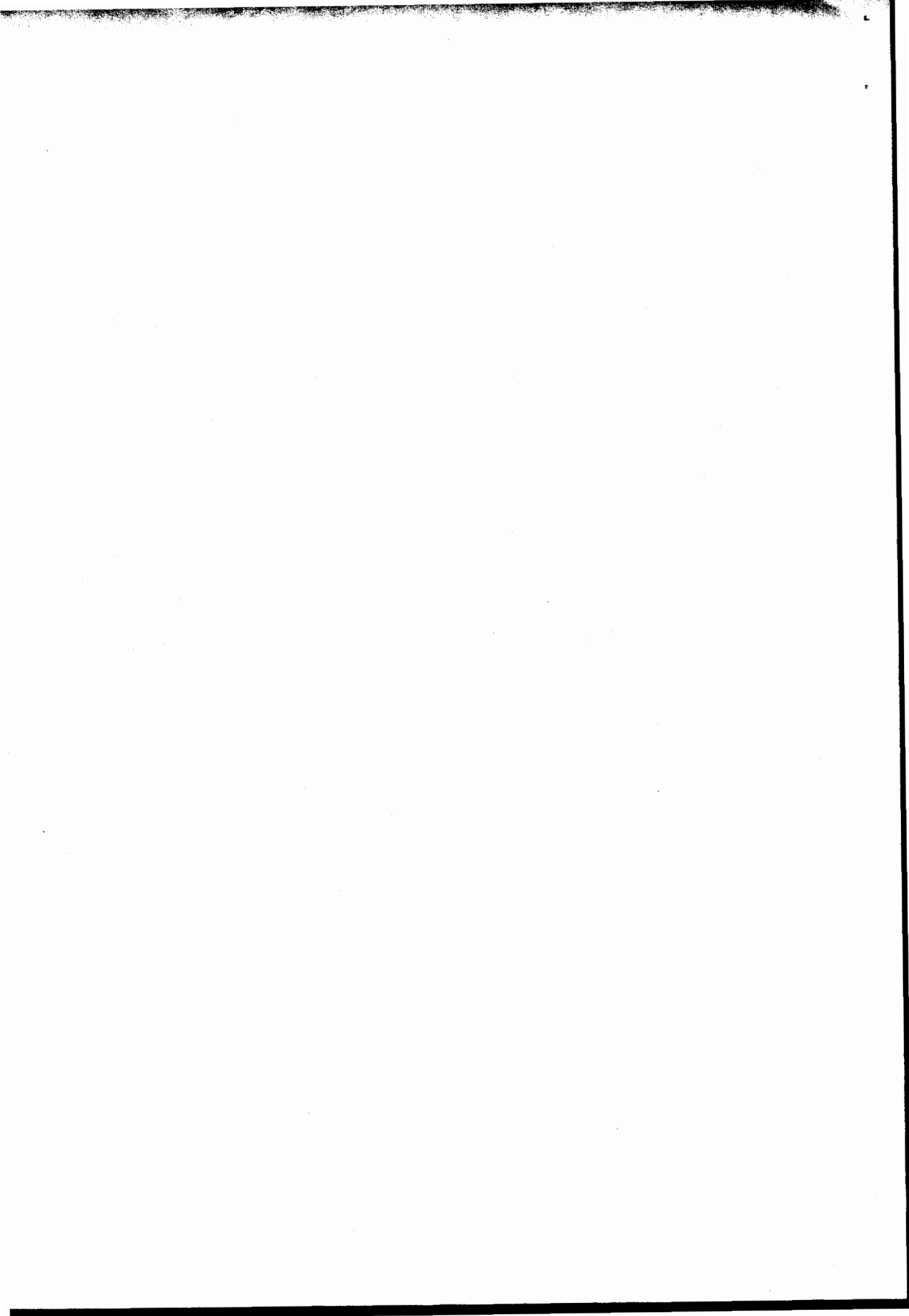
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COUNT TWO:

(18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(5)(A)(ii), 1030(a)(5)(B)(i) & 1030(c)(4)(B) –
Reckless Damage to a Protected Computer Causing Loss Aggregating At
Least \$5,000)

7. The facts alleged in paragraphs 1 through 4 are realleged and incorporated herein
as if set forth in full.

8. On or about June 1, 2002, in the Northern District of California and elsewhere, the
defendant

LAURENT CHAVET

did intentionally access a protected computer without authorization and as a result of such
conduct recklessly caused damage, in that the defendant intentionally accessed the Trek
computers, and, as a result of such conduct, recklessly caused damage to those computers, which
damage caused losses aggregating at least \$5,000 in value during a one-year period.

All in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 1030(a)(5)(A)(ii), 1030(a)(5)(B)(i)
and 1030(c)(4)(B).

DATED:

A TRUE BILL.

FOREPERSON

KEVIN V. RYAN
United States Attorney


ROSS W. NADEL
Chief, Criminal Division

Approved as to form:


WALDINGER

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ENDANT INFORMATION RELATIVE TO A CRIMINAL ACTION - IN U.S. DISTRICT COURT

COMPLAINT ☐ INFORMATION ☒ INDICTMENT
☐ SUPERSEDING

OFFENSE CHARGED

8 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(4) &
 A) - Unauthorized Access of a
 Computer
 18 U.S.C. §§ 1030(a)(5)(A)(ii),
 B)(i) & 1030(c)(4)(B) - Reckless
 a Protected Computer

☐ Petty
☐ Minor
☐ Misdemeanor
☒ Felony

and II -- Maximum term of imprisonment of 5 years,
 fine, 3 years of supervised release, and \$100
 special assessment.

PROCEEDING

Complainant Agency, or Person (& Title, if any)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Person is awaiting trial in another Federal or State
 Court, give name of court

Person/proceeding is transferred from another
 Court per (circle one) FRCrP 20, 21 or 40. Show
 Court

Is a reprosecution of charges
 previously dismissed which were
 based on motion of:

U.S. Att'y ☐ Defense

Prosecution relates to a
 pending case involving this same
 defendant

Has proceedings or appearance(s)
 before U.S. Magistrate regarding
 defendant were recorded under

SHOW
 DOCKET NO.

MAGISTRATE
 CASE NO.

Office of Person
 Information on
 S FORM

KEVIN V. RYAN

☒ U.S. Att'y ☐ Other U.S. Agency

Asst. U.S. Att'y
 assigned)

KYLE F. WALDINGER

Name of District Court, and/or Judge/Magistrate Location
 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DEFENDANT - U.S.

LAURENT CHAVET

DISTRICT COURT NUMBER

CR 04-0218

DEFENDANT

IS NOT IN CUSTODY

1) ☒ Has not been arrested, pending outcome this proceeding.
 If not detained give date any prior summons
 was served on above charges

2) ☐ Is a Fugitive

3) ☐ Is on Bail or Release from (show District)

IS IN CUSTODY

4) ☐ On this charge

5) ☐ On another conviction

6) ☐ Awaiting trial on other
 charges

☐ Fed'l ☐ State

If answer to (6) is "Yes", show name of institution

Has detainer
 been filed?

☐ Yes
☐ No

If "Yes"
 give date
 filed

DATE OF
 ARREST

Month/Day/Year

Or... if Arresting Agency & Warrant were not

Month/Day/Year

DATE TRANSFERRED
 TO U.S. CUSTODY

☐ This report amends AO 257 previously submitted

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR COMMENTS

SS:

SUMMONS ☐ NO PROCESS*

☒ WARRANT

Bail Amount: \$50,000

If Summons, complete following:

☐ Arraignment ☐ Initial Appearance

Defendant Address:

*Where defendant previously apprehended on complaint, no new summons
 or warrant needed, since Magistrate has scheduled arraignment

Date/Time:

Before Judge:

Comments:

